Mountain Weather Forecast

Bannau Brycheiniog (Brecon Beacons) National Park

Forecast valid from 00:00 on Saturday 21 Dec 2024 until 23:59 on Sunday 22 Dec 2024

Forecast Issued on Friday 20 Dec 2024 at 16:25

Confidence: High for general developments. Medium for cloud details.

Headline for Saturday 21 Dec 2024: Rain then brightening skies and blustery showers. Very windy with severe wind chill.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 21 Dec 2024

Blizzards
No Likelihood

Gales
High Likelihood

Thunderstorms
Low Likelihood

Heavy persistent snow
No Likelihood

Severe chill effect
Medium Likelihood

Heavy persistent rain
No Likelihood

Storm force winds
No Likelihood

Poor visibility
Medium Likelihood

Strong sunlight
No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m							
Time							
00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Cloudy	Mist	Heavy Rain	Light rain	Light rain	Sunny intervals	Heavy rain showers (night)	Sleet showers (night)
Precipitation probability							
20%	30%	90%	80%	50%	30%	60%	60%

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Weather: Lowering cloud and outbreaks of rain and drizzle overnight and during the morning. Cloud beginning to lift and break from around midday, bright spells and heavy blustery showers during the afternoon, these turning to wintry over the summits in the evening.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 20% overnight and early morning, rising to 70% during the day, but lowering significantly as the showers pass through.

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud, base 300 to 600m overnight and early morning, the cloud then lifting and breaking near the summits around midday. However, falling significantly, base 500m or less as the heavy, blustery showers push through later. Mostly moderate to very poor visibility overnight and early morning. Becoming mostly very good as the cloud lifts and breaks, lowering significantly in showers as they push through later in the day.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph)					Wind Direction (blowing from)			
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	19/28 W	23/33 W	28/38 SW	33/45 W	33/46 W	30/43 W	27/39 W	26/38 W	29/41 W
300	10/23 W	13/27 SW	16/34 SW	22/43 W	21/42 W	20/40 W	18/36 W	16/33 W	18/37 W
Valley	8/21 W	12/26 SW	13/31 SW	20/42 W	19/41 W	18/39 W	16/34 W	15/32 W	16/35 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)								
	00:00	03:00	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	4/-2	4/-2	5/-1	7/2	8/2	5/-1	4/-2	3/-4	2/-5
300	5/2	6/2	7/3	9/5	10/6	8/3	6/2	5/0	4/-1
Valley	5/2	7/3	8/4	9/6	11/7	8/5	7/3	6/2	5/0
Freezing Level*	1000m	1200m	2400m	1800m	1600m	1100m	1100m	900m	800m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Note the wind speeds at height with buffeting. Gusts 50 to 60mph possible over the summits.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
15:00 on Fri 20 Dec 2024	6mm	33.8mm	49.2mm

Forecast for Sunday 22 Dec 2024

Weather: Heavy snow showers overnight and during the morning with some drifting and whiteout conditions over the summits. The snow showers becoming more scattered through the afternoon and evening with sunny or clear spells developing. Stormy over the summits.

Maximum wind: West or Northwest 45mph gusting 60mph with severe wind chill, buffeting and the risk of being blow over.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 40% becoming 80% by dusk

Low cloud and visibility: Extensive cloud around the summits overnight and during the morning, bases falling 300m or less in heavy snow showers. Cloud becoming well scattered or clear at times during the afternoon and evening. Visibility very poor in snow with white out and blizzard conditions at height, but becoming mostly very good or excellent in the afternoon.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 2 rising to Plus 7 Celsius
At 600m: Zero to Minus 2 Celsius
Freezing level: Around 300m rising to around 600m in the afternoon.

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